

**WE WISH YOU ALL
A Happy New Year!**

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Herman Wise SALE
Is the real thing.
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Cooking Apples, 60 cents at Astoria Grocery.

Andrew Young was in from his ranch yesterday.

Go to the New Style Restaurant for a square meal.

Home-made sauerkraut, 5c per lb. Astoria Grocery Co.

For Rent—Furnished housekeeping rooms, 165 Tenth street.

We have a few boxes of Northern Spy apples at 75c per box. Astoria Grocery Co.

Deputy Collector F. L. Parker yesterday paid off the crew of the Perry and about \$2000 was distributed.

Our annual sale commences on Tuesday, January 3d; every article in the store reduced—with a few exceptions. C. H. Cooper.

We have received a carload of eastern oak. It is of superior quality and will be sold in lots to suit purchasers. Fisher Bros. Co.

Persons holding the following numbers: 1st, 8594; 2d, 5483; 3d, 9513, please call and receive presents. Crohn's The Wonder.

Great reduction in dry goods and clothing will be made during the month of January at our annual sale, now going on. C. H. Cooper.

Our annual sale is the talk of the town—patrons have been waiting for it—don't miss it: come early. C. H. Cooper, the leading house of Astoria.

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The Grotto will supply patrons with delicious Tom and Jerry every day. The superior quality of goods which has made the Grotto popular, will be supplied.

For pure drugs, and prescriptions compounded by a manufacturing chemist go to Dr. C. E. Linton's drug store, 1496 Franklin avenue. A complete stock of everything pertaining to a drug store is carried.

Max F. Berendes returned yesterday from a six weeks' trip to Collins Springs. He was suffering from rheumatism and reports that he has entirely recovered.

Closing out sale of toilet and manure sets at Woodfield's Art Store will commence today and continue during the week.

The football game today on the athletic grounds promises to be a very interesting one. Both teams are in good condition and a good game is anticipated.

Our large stock of fine dry goods, clothing, furnishing goods and all will be placed on reduced sale prices during the next 30 days. C. H. Cooper, the leading house of Astoria.

Herman Wise makes an important announcement in this issue. As Mr. Wise fulfills all his statements as advertised the public is assured of securing some splendid bargains.

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Sheriff Linville left last evening for Salem taking Harry Lowe and Fred Stauch with him with E. M. Houghton and George Coffman as guards. Lowe and Stauch will board with the state.

The regular monthly meeting of the fishermen's union will be held next Tuesday at their hall on Astor street. Election of officers and a discussion of fishing legislation will be the important matters before the meeting.

Monday being a legal holiday, the postoffice announces that there will be one delivery by carriers and that the carriers' window will be open from 12:30 to 1:30 as is usual on Sunday's and holidays.

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Henry Dese, proprietor of the Metropolitan saloon yesterday sold his saloon to Frank Bourn and Norris Staples for \$22,500. The new proprietors will take immediate possession. The sale was made by O. F. Morton.

Carl Erdman, a native of Germany, yesterday renounced all allegiance to every foreign prince, potentate and state sovereignty and was admitted as a full-fledged citizen of the United States in the circuit court.

Henry Dese and wife will leave in a day or two for Portland, where they will in the future reside. Mr. Dese had been in business in the city for several years, and has many friends who will regret his leaving.

All persons wishing to purchase reserved seat tickets for the performance of "Looking for a Wife," by the Keith company at Fishers' tomorrow (Sunday) New Year's day, can procure them at the opera house any time after 2 o'clock.

Hedrick's theater will open Monday, January 2, and tickets for the first performances may be secured at the box office for the opening any time after noon today. The numbers will be of the best ever presented an Astorian audience.

The Astorian never misses an issue. Holidays are numerous but the people can always depend upon receiving the Astorian six days in the week just the same. That is what the people pay for and what advertisers expect and they are entitled to it.

There seems to be a scarcity of good teachers in Astoria. The school board has not made any selection for the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. W. O. Barnes. A competent teacher can secure a good position by putting in an application.

Plans and specifications have been prepared for the erection of an ordinance storeroom a fire apparatus building and a wagonshed at Ft. Columbia, also authority to lay out an athletic field at Ft. Stevens. Bids will soon be invited for doing the work.

The attorneys for the timber syndicate state that in the event that the case is decided against them, they will take an appeal to the supreme court. This will not stop the sale of the land, however, but it will probably be several months before a final decision is reached.

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Judge McBride completed the adjourned term of court yesterday and left for Deer Island, where he will spend New Year's day. He will return to Astoria some time during the month to set down cases for the February term. He will open a term of court at Hillsboro next Wednesday.

REWARD—We shall give \$10 in gold as a first prize, and \$5 as a second prize to the boy or girl under 18 years of age, writing the best poem of two or more verses, using the MONARCH RANGE as subject of the poem. All poems to be handed in before 6 p. m. on February 16, 1905. Charles Hellborn & Son, Complete House-furnishers, 590-592 Commercial Street.

SPECIAL SALE—Tuesday, January 2, 1905, we will sell any piece of embroidery or insertions in our store for 9c the yard; the values run to 75c, regular price. The A. Dunbar Co.

Road Supervisor Andrew Johnson was in the city yesterday. With the work of the settlers and some aid received from Astoria, they have completed over three miles of road in the Tucker creek district. There are about three more miles to complete to the Youngs river falls, and that is expected to be done in the spring.

Several Chinese firms who conduct lotteries, have had a hard time of it the past month. One firm has lost over \$2000, while several other firms have lost from \$500 to \$1500. A large amount of the money lost has been won by prominent men and women who play China lottery. There would be a great surprise if the names of those who play were published.

The old year was ushered out and the New Year in last evening by the blowing of whistles, ringing of bells, firing of cannon and guns, with a sprinkling of fire-crackers and fireworks. The police were kept busy watching young America, who has always persisted in defacing windows by writing 1905 on them. Those who were broke made the customary new resolutions, while those in affluence started in on the new year with increased capacity.

County Clerk Clinton, who is naturally opposed to race suicide, yesterday issued four marriage licenses, one to Atrick Matson and Anna Matta of Uniontown, and one to P. A. Miner and Katie Johnston, one to Joseph Woodham and Jennie F. Peterson and one to Anton L. Josephson and Signey Elizabeth Baker. Eight souls with but a single thought, eight hearts that beat as four, were united in the holy bonds of wedlock yesterday.

Mrs. Cult of Portland arrived in Astoria yesterday in search of her daughter. Sheriff Linville located the wayward girl in a downtown dance hall and brought her up to his office. The girl stated that she preferred a life of shame than living at home, and refused at first to return, but afterward consented to accompany her mother, stating she would return in a few days. Mrs. Cult was accompanied by Julius Kline, with whom the girl stated, she had been unduly intimate in Portland.

At yesterday's session of the circuit court formal orders were handed down as follows: Astoria Savings Bank vs. M. J. Kinney, judgment; John Halloran vs. Catherine Halloran, a suit for divorce on the grounds of desertion; order for publication of summons; Rosina Lemon vs. John Lemon, suit for divorce on the grounds of desertion; order for publication of summons; M. F. Dawson vs. E. N. Zeller time for return of execution extended until March 1; C. H. Winders, trustee, vs. Adolph Marshall, default and decree.

THE OLD AND NEW YEAR.

Interesting and Appropriate Meeting of the Fort-Nightly Euchre Club.

The first half of the 1904-05 session of the Friday Fortnightly Euchre Club was brought to a highly successful termination by the meeting held on New Year's eve at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Norman Callaway.

On their arrival the guests were received by the host and hostess, assisted by Mrs. E. Z. Ferguson and Mrs. Walter Robb. The reception rooms were beautifully decorated with Holly, Kinnikinnick and Scotch Dear Songs Specialty procured for the occasion, intertwined amongst which was the clan Tartan of the host, who is a son of "the land o' the heather, Claymore and Skean Dhu," the whole having a very pretty effect. Suspended by tartan ribbons from the archway between the rooms was a most artistic and beautifully executed design bearing on one side the appropriate legend—

"Here's tae the year that's awa' and on the reverse,

"A guld New Year tae ane an' a"

Six-handed euchre was played, Mrs. Carlton Allen winning the first lady's prize and Mrs. Schimpff the second, while those for the gentlemen were won by Chas. Heilborn and Frank Patton respectively.

The score cards were elegantly hand painted the device being Scotch thistles with the very appropriate lines "An' mony a nicht we've merrie been An' mony mair we hope tae be."

A sentiment most heartily indorsed by all the members present.

On the conclusion of the game refreshments were served after which music and singing rapidly whiled away the time until a few minutes before midnight, when horns, festooned with tartan ribbon, were distributed and all present were assembled around the dining table and in the orthodox manner drank "to the year that's awa'" and to a happy and prosperous 1905, concluding with the Scots evening hymn, "Auld Lang Syne," the guests subsequently departing for their respective homes in the early "wee sma' hours" with most pleasant recollections of "Hogmanay" 1904.

FIRE AT SKIPANON.

House and Hall of Hiram Gray at Skipanon Burned Last Night.

The residence of Hiram Gray at Skipanon, about a mile south of Warrenton, was discovered on fire about 8 o'clock last evening. Neighbors came to the assistance, but owing to the scarcity of water, it was impossible to save the building. The fire spread rapidly to the hall on the north side of the residence, and in a short time, it with the dwelling, was burned to the ground. All the furniture from the residence was saved. The fire was caused from a defective flue. The loss is estimated at \$1500.

AN APT PUPIL.

How a New Clerk Caught Onto the Tricks of the Trade.

A handsome woman came into a drug store and asked:

"Have you Dr. Brown's Cough syrup?"

"No, mam," answered the young clerk.

The lady went out, without buying.

The boss scolded the new salesman. "Why, sir; you must never be so stupid again. If you haven't what a customer asks for, show 'em something else, and say it's just as good or better."

The next day another lady called.

"Have you Dr. Carter's Liver Pills?"

"No, mam; but we have Dr. Brown's Liver Oils, which are just as good, or better."

That's the way of the average store, if you ask, "Have you as good clothes as Herman Wise sells," they will answer: "No, but we have something just as nice or better;" but they haven't it.

See the Point?

C. O. Runyon yesterday pleaded guilty to simple larceny, and was sentenced to 40 days in the county jail. It is understood that he has reimbursed the apties of whom he stole the money. His friends interceded in his behalf and District Attorney Allen consented to accept a plea of simple larceny.

Word was received in Astoria last night that Mrs. Abercrombie, formerly of this city, had died in Montana. Her son, Charles H. Abercrombie, was with her at the time of her death. Mrs. Abercrombie had resided in Astoria for a number of years, and left many friends to mourn her loss. It is probable that the remains will be brought to Astoria for interment.

The prohibition amendment for No 1 precinct, Uniontown, went into effect last night at 12 o'clock. The two saloons located in that district are still doing business at the old stand. The common council has failed to reimburse them for the balance due on their liquor licenses, and they cannot be prosecuted until this is done. It is possible if politics was eliminated from the controversy the prohibition law would be enforced. Both Harry and Hendrickson propose to contest the law in the event they are arrested for a violation of the law.

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